### Eligibility Requirements

Organizations must meet the following requirements:

- Have a DUNS number
- Be registered in Grants.gov<sub>1</sub>
- •Be registered in System of Award Management (SAM)<sub>2</sub>, must update their registration annually
- •Before an organization can receive an award, the organization and the Principal Investigator/Project Director (PI/PD) and Authorizing Representative (ADO) need to be registered in GrantSolutions.gov₁
- •U.S. public and non-profit organizations meeting the provisions in Internal Revenue Code sections 26 UCS 501 (c) (3);
- Documentation of nonprofit status with IRS at time of application;
- •\$130K limit for organizations that can not demonstrate a minimum four-year track record of conducting International exchanges;
- Additional requirements in each RFGP.

Note: 1-Administered by the Department of Health and Human Services; 2-Administered by the General Services Administration.

### Proposal Solicitation Process

#### **General Rules:**

- ECA does not accept unsolicited proposals;
- All solicitations are developed by ECA Program Offices;
- Solicitations must be approved by the Assistant Secretary;
- RFGPs are then placed on Grants.gov and the ECA website.

## Exchanges Appropriation

 Each year, Congress provides the Department of State a separate Appropriation that supports ECA and its exchange programs.

# Helpful Websites

- DoS Financial Assistance
  - http://fa.statebuy.state.gov/
- ECA Webpage
  - http://eca.state.gov/organizational-funding
- Grants.gov<sub>1</sub>
  - www.grants.gov/
  - GrantSolutions.gov<sub>1</sub>
  - https://home.grantsolutions.gov/home/
  - SAM.gov (System for Award Management),
  - https://www.sam.gov/
  - Dun & Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number
  - http://www.dunandbradstreet.com